

PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT - BOARD OF UTILITY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Pascoag Utility District Board of Utility Commissioners was held on Monday, May 18, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the District office, 253 Pascoag Main Street, Pascoag, RI.

Members Present: Chairman Albert Palmisciano, Commissioners Ann Polacek, Richard Jenks, Michael Kogut and Doug Lees

Members Absent:

Also in Attendance: Michael Kirkwood, General Manager; William Bernstein, General Counsel

Chairman Palmisciano opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

Minutes

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Public Comment**
- 3. Committee Comments**
- 4. Good and Welfare of the District**

A. Docket No. 1725

Ms. LaPorte reviewed the customer shut off information. There were 8 standard customers terminated in the month of April. Pascoag Utility District sent 459 disconnection notices for customers whose past due balances were more than \$200.00. Motion to receive and file made by Mr. Jenks, seconded by Mr. Kogut. The vote in favor was unanimous.

B. GNEF Luncheon

Mr. Kirkwood stated that the Board and staff are invited to attend the RIGNEF end of year luncheon that will be held on June 11th at the

Squantum Club. Motion to receive and file made by Mr. Jenks, seconded by Mr. Kogut. The vote in favor was unanimous.

C. Retirement

Ms. Dolan is in the process of planning Ms. Cournoyer's retirement party. It will be held on June 19, 2015 at Crystal Lake Pavilion. Additional information will be forthcoming.

D. Tangent Demand Side Management

Mr. Kirkwood said he has met with the Burrillville School Department, IGA and two nursing homes regarding the Demand Side Management program that Tangent is offering. They all seem interested but he's waiting to hear back from them after the initial meeting. This program will help reduce peak demand for the District.

E. RIWWA Report

Mr. Kirkwood attended the annual business meeting/training session this month. The meetings talked about getting rid of duplicate services and instead, share resources to save money.

5. Approval of Minutes

• Regular BUC Meeting- April 27, 2015

Mr. Kirkwood asked that the following corrections be made to Item G in the minutes for the sake of clarity.

Water Tank Update

Mr. Kirkwood stated that back on March 28th he received a call from Mr. Lima who said there was a leak in the water tank. There was a coupling that had failed on the tank and caused the leak. The site

was secured and a contractor was brought in Monday morning to work on the project. The contractor was about ready to leave when a customer called and said the tank was leaking at the top on the other side. A 3 ft. ice sheet had formed at the top of the tank and ripped off the sampling tubes on the tank. The tank has been taking off line so it can be repaired. The tank has been welded shut for now so that the ice sheet could melt. Our insurance company has been notified of the damage and a contractor has been lined up to do the repairs.

Mr. Kogut made a motion to approve the corrected minutes, seconded by Mr. Lees. The vote in favor was unanimous.

6. Unfinished Business

7. New Business

8. Financial Reports

A. Electric Department- not available

B. Water Department-not available

9. Executive Session

To go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the future relationship between Pascoag Utility District and Harrisville Fire District Water Department concerning the current wholesale water supply and implications should the current supply arrangement be reconsidered, pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-5(a)(6). The minutes of said meeting shall remain confidential for as long as necessary pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5, until a majority of the Board shall vote to open said minutes as provided for and subject to the open meetings.

The Board invited Mr. Demelim (Treasurer) to stay for Executive Session.

Motion to go into Executive Session was made by Mr. Kogut, seconded by Mr. Jenks. The vote in favor was unanimous. Executive Session began at 6:15PM.

Motion to exit Executive Session made by Mr. Jenks, seconded by Ms. Polacek. The vote in favor was unanimous. Executive Session ended at 7:14PM.

Motion to seal the minutes with no votes being taken was made by Mr. Jenks and seconded by Mr. Kogut. The vote in favor was unanimous.

10. Action Item: Vote to authorize a further study of the Harrisville Water District and Pascoag Utility District relationship.

Mr. Kogut made a motion to authorize a further study of the Harrisville Water District and Pascoag Utility District's relationship, seconded by Ms. Polacek. The vote in favor was unanimous.

11. Adjournment

Mr. Jenks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Lees. The vote in favor was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16PM.

Michael Kogut, Secretary
Board of Utility Commissioners

Desarae Dolan, Recording Secretary